

first information dealing apparatus 21. Further, if the requested image information has not
A (been input to be stored in the third image information dealing apparatus 23, the information
can be transferred to the first information dealing apparatus 21 after such input has been
made therein.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1, 3-8, and 15 to read as follows:

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A 1. (Amended) A network system including a plurality of users connected through a
plurality of client terminal devices connected to a network, comprising:
an image information storing server connected to the network, and configured to store
image information in various folders to be read by the plurality of users;
an image information inputting device connected to the image information storing
server not by the users, and configured to input image information including both sheet
document image information to be stored in the image information storing device and format
image information of a sheet separate from the sheet document image formation;
an image information determining device configured to determine if the image
information input by the image information inputting device includes the sheet of the format
image information; and
wherein the image information storing server is further configured to store the
document image information in a prescribed folder in accordance with the format image
information.

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3. (Amended) A network system as claimed in claim 1, wherein:
said image information storing server is further configured to store image information
having a plurality of pages of original documents as one image file.

4. (Amended) A network system as claimed in claim 2, wherein:

said image information determining device is further configured to determine if the format image information input by the image information inputting device is related to document start information and document end information; and

said image information storing server is further configured to store image information read from original documents during a time period between inputting operations for the document start information and the document end information as one image file.

5. (Amended) A network system as claimed in claim 3, wherein:

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said image information determining device is further configured to determine if the format image information input by the image information inputting device is related to document start information and document end information; and

said image information storing server is further configured to store image information read from original documents during a time period between inputting operations for the document start information and the document end information as one image file.

6. (Amended) A network system as claimed in claim 2, wherein:

said image information determining device is further configured to determine if the format image information input by the image information inputting device includes document end information; and

said image information storing server is further configured to store image information read from original documents during a time period between inputting operations for the image information and the document end information as one image file.

7. (Amended) A network system as claimed in claim 3, wherein:

said image information determining device is further configured to determine if the format image information input by the image information inputting device includes document

end information; and

said image information storing server is further configured to store image information read from original documents during a time period between inputting operations for the image information and the document end information as one image file.

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A3 8. (Amended) A network system including a plurality of users connected through a plurality of client terminal devices connected to a network, comprising:

storing means for storing image information in various folders to be read by the plurality of users;

inputting means for inputting image information including both of sheet document image information to be stored in the image information storing device and format image information of a sheet separate from the sheet document image information;

determining means for determining if the input information input to the inputting means includes the sheet of the format image information; and

wherein the storing means further stores the document image information in a prescribed folder in accordance with the format image information.

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A4 15. (Amended) A method for controlling a network system including a plurality of users connected through a plurality of client terminal devices connected to a network, comprising the steps of:

storing image information in various folders to be read by the plurality of users;

inputting image information including both sheet document image information to be stored and format image information of a sheet separate from the sheet document image information;

determining if the input image information includes the sheet of the format image information; and